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*Marginal Column*  
By Hugh Lautier

EVEN in South Africa, where the whites are slower than anywhere else in the world to realize that the Africans are on the move, the question is being asked — what will the African resistance movement do now that Dr. Malan's Nationalist Government has been returned to power with an increased majority? The African National Congress recently held a press conference to explain. The officials tried to take a room for the conference in Johannesburg's second biggest hotel, but were unsuccessful. Mr. Albert Luthuli, the Congress's new president-general said that a campaign would be carried on to repeal acts which discriminated against the non-whites. The campaign would always be non-violent. He had hope and faith that one day white South Africa would give the non-whites their rights, but added that at this last election both main parties had been pledged to the nationalist policy of apartheid (racial segregation).

THIS tells us little. The fact is that Luthuli, an ex-chief and a keen Churchman, who once represented South Africa at the Tannenberg conference of the World Council of Churches, would have been an ideal man to lead the Africans in talks with Mr. J.S.N. Strauss, the United Party leader. (If the latter had won the election and had agreed to talk) but is less suited for leadership of an underground struggle if the representative policy of Mr. C.R. Swart, the Nationalist Minister of Justice, makes that necessary. The "Defence of Unjust Laws Campaign," as the world has known it in the past nine months, is dead. It has been dead for the past three months. Mr. Swart's Criminal Law Amendment Act makes defiance of a law for conscientious reasons a greater crime than assault, with penalties of three years' imprisonment, 2000 fine or ten strokes of the whip. Talk in Johannesburg has it that the resistance movement tried to get together one batch of volunteers to defy the law just once, but was unsuccessful.

WHAT next? Ask an African Congressman this, and, without giving a direct answer, his conversation turns to the resistance campaign's original plan of operation. Stage one was voluntary defiance, to produce junior leaders. The movement now has 5,000 of these. Stage two was to carry resistance to the African reserves. This was more successful in the Ciskei than in the Transvaal or Natal. Stage three is mass passive resistance, and that is due to open now.

CUTAWAY-airlines, sit-down strikes and boycotts are the obvious weapons, and they bring a new kind of leader to the top. Typical of these is Gladstone Tshume of Port Elizabeth. At Port Elizabeth Dr. James Nkomo, the political leader, has been superseded by Professor Matthews, a wise and benign figurehead, and real power is in the hands of young Tshume. The latter is a trade union leader, a bearded "ex"-Communist with a decidedly off-hand manner towards Whites, and he was responsible more than any man for the Port Elizabeth Africans' 80% successful "Day of Protest" last November. But Tshume has at least a responsibility as a trade union leader, whereas many of the leaders in other centres have no responsibility other than that of maintaining their own power. Each African location in the Union is dominated by a gang, some of whom support and some of whom, like Johannesburg's, dread "Rusticus" oppose the resistance movement. (The Russians appear to have gained recognition as a result.) If the African resistance movement gets into the hands of such gang-leaders, how long will it remain non-violent?

Cape Town, May 2.

**Mau Mau Massacre 19**  
**Kikuyu Home Guards**

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## Vietminh Force Moving To Thailand Frontier

VIENTIANE, Monday (Reuters). — Communist-led Vietminh troops have seized the French post of Tha Thom, shifting southwards and close to Thailand the weight of their four-pronged drive into Laos since it was officially announced.

### International Talks On Laos Rejected

LONDON, Monday (Reuters). — Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill today rejected a suggestion that Britain should call an international conference to study the situation in Laos.

Mr. Woodrow Wyatt, Labour, asked the Prime Minister if he intended to call a conference if he would call a conference of powers when he was in South-East Asia to consider the new situation arising from the Vietminh attack on Laos. "I think it would be a good idea to have a conference," he said. "But I think that we should try to call one," Sir Churchill replied.

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## Cologne Mission Ready for Work

COLOGNE, Monday (UPI). — The U.S. Purchasing Mission here became fully operational today with the completion of its staff. The "U.S. Economic Mission" of Germany, which includes 120 members of the U.S. delegation, will now be in full operation.

The mission, which is to be worked out later in the month when a United States-German economic mission meets for the first time, according to a statement of Mr. John W. Foster, U.S. Ambassador to West Germany, can be convened by either party to deal with any differences that events in Germany may bring.

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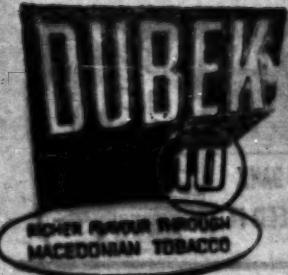
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## Social &amp; Personal

The Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben Gurion received the Swedish Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Gösta Hedenborg, for a farewell visit yesterday. Mr. Ben Gurion also received Paul Lee Morris, the New York orthopedic surgeon, and Mrs. Morris.

Guests present at the 11th plane which landed at Tel Aviv yesterday included Mrs. Elspeth Heath, wife of the Israeli Ambassador to London, returning to Britain, Mrs. Elizabeth and Mr. Edward Everett, managing director of Shikhar, bound for New York on company business.

In London last week, Mr. Heath gave a lecture at the Royal Institute of Mr. and Mrs. Avi Avi, Director-General of Finance Ministry. Those present included: Mr. A.G. Bostwick, M.P.; Mr. J. Ferguson, B.M.P.; Sir Herbert Baker, Mr. J. V. G. Cheshire, Mr. John Edwards, M.P.; Mr. M.P. Fleet, Mr. D.R. Serpell, M.P.; Mr. L.M. Seaton, Mr. L. Lewis, and Mr. J.A. Hynes.

Prof. M. Hader will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Philosophy degree by the Hebrew University on May 10. Of his 100 students tomorrow, the only other recipients of such a degree were Prof. Weissman, Dr. J.L. Magen, and Prof. A. Einhorn.

Mr. Hader took up his duties yesterday as Secretary-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, a post to which he was recently appointed.

Mr. Batsova Shiff, president of World Win, gave a reception at the Hotel David in honor of members of the Wizo Executive from abroad who are now in Israel for the meeting of the organization's Executive Committee.

Mr. Jacques Torenayen, Vice-President of the E.O.A., arrived by plane yesterday. A 5-day visit to Israel is planned. Mr. Torenayen, brother of Professor H.T. Tur-Sinai of the Hebrew University, is the president of a large diamond company in the U.S.

Mr. John E. Brent, Vice President and European General Manager of the U.S. World Trade Corporation, the U.S. branch of the World Corporation, arrived this morning at Lydd Airport for a short visit in Israel.

The cornerstone of "Tzomet Bilt," a new village of private farmers, will be laid near Serafat at 4 p.m. on Thursday in the presence of the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Shlomo Shabtai, and representatives of the Jewish Agency, the Farmers Federation, and the General Zionist party.

Dr. A. Lewin, professor of Economics at the New School for Social Research, New York, will deliver a guest lecture at the Hebrew University on "Economics and Technology" at 8.30 this evening at the Ratisbonne Building, Jerusalem (Hall 72). The public is invited.

At tomorrow's meeting of the Jerusalem Military Club at the King David Hotel, Mrs. Ruth Ben-Zvi, Mrs. Ben-Zvi, will speak on "Restitution and Compensation for Nazi Victims."

## BIRTH

LYDD — To Rachel (nee Koenigsberg), wife of Mr. Abraham Klein, advocate, on May 1, 1953, at the Aschkenazi Hospital, Tel Aviv.

## MARRIAGE

OPPENHEIMER-KLEIN — The marriage took place on Lag B'Omer, May 1, 1953, between Max Oppenheimer and Bertha Klein (nee Feldman), both of Jerusalem.

## CHURCH

Dr. Z. F. KOENIG — The members of the staff of Beirut Commercial Ltd., Jerusalem, deeply mourn the untimely death of Dr. Z. F. Koenig who passed away in Jerusalem on May 1, 1953 after a short illness.

EXPRESSION OF THANKS — Samuel Avigur and Judith Friedman, their relatives, friends and colleagues, extend their deepest expressions of sympathy on the tragic loss of their parents, Bertha and Eva Friedman.

European Maccabians Meet in Dublin

DUBLIN, Monday (UPI) — The 2nd European conference of the Maccabi sports organization ended last night with a dinner for the 50 delegates presided over by the Lord Mayor of Dublin.

The three-day conference made plans for next September's Maccabiah in Israel in which a thousand athletes will take part.

## ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 8.30-11.15; HAIFA: 8.30-11.15; TEL AVIV: 8.30-11.15.

FIRST PROGRAMME: News: 8.30 a.m.; 11.15 p.m.; 10.30 & 11.30 a.m. Arabic Programmes: 8.30 & 11.30 a.m. News: 9 a.m.; 11.15 a.m.

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## Haifa Council Wins Confidence Vote on Parking Motor Issue

Jerusalem POST Bureau

HAIFA, Monday. — Haifa's parking meters were debated at the Town Council tonight and the Municipality won a confidence vote from all parties except the General Zionists and Progressives.

Seven thousand cars were registered in Haifa and they, together with those from outside town, threatened to occupy much of the 500-kilometres of streets, the Mayor said. A plan to build a multi-storey garage to end blocked streets had not materialized for lack of investors.

In Rehov Nordau, 11 accidents in the past 10 months had claimed three lives. Parking-meters have also been introduced in other countries, the Mayor pointed out. House and shop owners had asked the Municipality to install them in their streets too, but the number of meters and inspectors was limited.

Parking had been banned in 150 streets and yet some parking lots were almost empty most of the time. To accommodate drivers, a half-hour feed had been introduced, he said. Another hundred meters would be installed, bringing the number to 250. The contention that it was a bad investment was unfounded, in Tel Aviv, two or three investors had applied for a concession.

Mr. Z. Zimmerman (G.Z.) said there were not enough parking lots and that parking should be allowed in quiet side streets. There was a difference between New York and Haifa, and no quick return should be sought from the investment. Drivers resented the parking-meters as a new tax.

"MELILOT," a new cooperative settlement, was established near Meliilot yesterday. The villagers who came to the country three years ago and had since been living in makeshift houses in Meliilot, are members of Haifot-Meliilot. This village is one of the 22 villages to be established in the Negev this summer.

**THE FIRST** strike in Elliot occurred yesterday when labourers of the Elliot park stopped working after they were not given their full Parliamentary salaries. The strike was carried out with the approval of the local Labour Council.

A PERIOD imposed by a Magistrate on Mr. Z. Baff for a traffic offence was cancelled by the Jerusalem District Court yesterday on the ground that there was no prima facie case against him, he having been driven by a uniformed policeman. The case was turned to the lower court.

Some 150 workers of the Fufal Gad pipe factory in Migdal Ascalon and the Village Department of the Cus-todian of Abandoned Property, were released yesterday from their jobs. New work has been taken on for seasonal agricultural work in the Ascalon area, the local Labour Exchange has arranged.

A TOTAL of 1,245 reports of labour accidents and cases of occupational diseases were filed with the Ministry of Labour during March. The Department sent 850 warning letters to employers and initiated legal action against 1,100 cases. Jews working in foreign lands were fined a total of £1,500 during the month.

### 16,500 JOBLESS

An average of 16,500 persons were unemployed during the week ending April 24, including 8,170 women. Of them, 10,811 were married workers.

The centres of unemployment were: Haifa — 2,307; Tel Aviv — 1,718; Jerusalem — 1,646; Ramat Gan — 975; Rishon LeZion — 804; Petach Tikva — 615; Hodon — 612; Rehovot — 561; Bat Yam — 498; Holon — 410; Acre — 406; Nahariya — 321; Lydda — 302; Ramle — 202.

### LUCKY FIND

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITIM). — A lucky police operation last night recovered £10,000 worth of hide stolen over the weekend from the shoe factory of Mr. Tuvia Zilberman in the Maghar Quarter here.

Mr. Zilberman discovered the theft yesterday, as the factory had been closed for two days. Police visited underworld hide-outs mainly in Jaffa, and chased last night upon two persons acting suspiciously. They were followed into a laundry in Rehov 22 where the entire lot was found. The man and another accomplice, aged 24, 30 and 40 years respectively, residents of Jaffa, were detained.

### MEMORIAL MEETING

Rivka Berger The Touring Club in Jerusalem last night was given over to a memorial meeting for Mrs. Rivka Berger, the club's managing director, on the 30th day of her death.

Mr. Z. Shmuel, M.K., recalled the early Zionist Socialist days in Germany, during the First World War, when he first came to know the late Alfred Berger, who was later to marry the woman whose memory they were now honouring and her brother, Franz Kaufman.

Prof. S. Samursky spoke of Mrs. Berger's great capacity for friendship which, Dr. P.A. Neumann, the club's chairman, had said, had proved an invaluable asset to the club.

The meeting opened and closed with music played by Gideon Sofer, violinist, with Aryeh Sofer at the piano.

In addition to the chief mourners — only son and sister-in-law Mrs. Berger — there were Mr. and Mrs. Ben-Zvi, P. Rosen, Minister of Justice, and a large company of friends who filled the hall and overflowed into the adjoining room.

### Personal Notices

Danny and Mary Rosenzweig

are happy to announce the

BIRTH OF A DAUGHTER — ROSE

on May 1, 1951, at the Mischa Hospital, Mt. Carmel, Haifa.

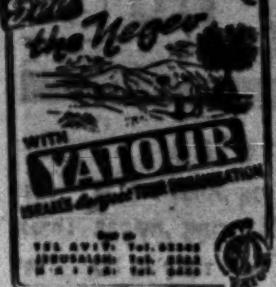
Mrs. LEFKI KOENIG

announces with deep sorrow the untimely death

of her beloved husband

Dr. Z. F. KOENIG

on May 3, in Jerusalem. The funeral has already taken place.



### Today's Post Bag

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**ACCURATE** statistics are the first prerequisite for an appraisal of foreign trade relations and their impact on the national

**MORE TRADE** economy. Until the end of last year, the statistical department of the Treasury published monthly surveys which, while elaborate and in many respects valuable, suffered from the fact that sufficient account was not taken of actual prices paid for imports, with the result that a distorted picture was bound to emerge from the tables. This deficiency is being corrected gradually, and the technical arrangement of tables will no doubt be further improved, now that the Central Bureau of Statistics and Economic Research has taken over.

A first pointer to the results to be expected could be found in the Bureau's survey of foreign trade in 1951, issued last autumn; but the latest figures, which were summarized in these columns last Thursday, show how misleading figures can become when based on unrealistic assumptions. Suffice it to mention that in the period from March to September, 1952, imports amounted to IL-79,626,000, at the rate of one Israeli Pound to \$2.50, and to no less than IL-137,812,000, if the three rates of exchange, introduced under the New Economic Policy in February, 1952, are applied.

Questions of method apart, the very substance of the trade balances and its component elements need to be freshly examined by our economic planners. A perusal of the last list of imports reveals that there is room for a bold inquiry whether a great number of these articles cannot be dispensed with even if payment is made in Israeli currency. The sums involved in each individual item may not be large, but in the aggregate are quite substantial if the principle is adopted that we can on no account afford non-essential imports.

At the same time, certain categories of manufactured goods in the field of technical equipment, textiles and chemical products, will provoke the question whether local industry cannot be directed towards the production of some of these articles. Altogether, the discrepancy between potential and actual exports seems to call for an overall revision of the export organization in its present form. The general impression is, at all events, that a widespread and probably costly effort bears rather insignificant results. In this direction, any reform should not be concerned only with exchange rates, credit facilities, export premiums, and simplification of official procedure, but with a more systematic and intensive market research and adjustment of local production to those branches of international trade where competition is or can be made possible.

The vexed chapter of the so-called "non-payment imports" has been thoroughly discussed. The fact alone that, in the first nine months of 1952 and 1951, this category accounted for 18.3 and 20.9 per cent of total imports, respectively, indicates how important it is to reconsider its implications.

Other major issues revisited in the latest figures and calling for serious attention are the spectacular decline in the export of textiles and the slow progress of the diamond industry. On the other hand, final figures for citrus exports will, be more satisfactory, only as regards the substantial rise in volume from 2.2 million boxes in 1952 to at least 5.5 million this year. It is also in view of the favourable prices obtained in the United Kingdom, our principal customer, in the later stages of the season.

With this solitary exception, the overall picture is far from reassuring. Seen in the context of the budgetary position and the public debt, the gap in the foreign trade balance is of such proportions as to invite immediate and stern measures, especially now that on both sides of the Atlantic "trade not aid" is becoming the order of the day.

**LOCKER ASKS FOR HELP** FROM AUSTRALIAN JEWS SYDNEY, Monday (Continued). — Mr. Bari Locker, Chairman of the Executive of the Jewish Agency, said on his arrival here today that Israel wanted Australian Jews to settle in Israel.

He had come to see Australian Jewry to open their hearts and minds to help

**CAPTIVE IN KOREA (II)**  
**Interrogation in Pyongyang**

By PHILIP DEANE

THE ride to Pyongyang was in a truck filled with documents and handbooks captured in the United States Military Mission headquarters in Seoul. I sat at the back, squatting on the bottom, between piles of books. In each town or large village we stopped. The sub-lieutenant in charge of the vehicle shook hands ceremoniously with the headman, and the population was gathered. Then I was brought up to the fore. Speaking with jerky motions, almost screaming the monosyllabic sounds of this guttural tongue, first the sub-lieutenant, then the headman, made long speeches, during which they frequently pointed at me. Each culminating with a invited screams from the crowd, who shook their hands in gestures I later learned to recognize as menacing. They spat and slapped and kicked. A small child achieved great success with the crowd — he threw a handful of excreta. That is why, when we were

One man — young, with spectacles, in a police uniform, whispered in English: "I'm sorry, I'm a Christian."

During the first night of the drive, the truck was captured to a ditch. The little tommy-gunner in smelly plimsools sat guard on me on top of the piles of books had his left thigh broken by the weight of the cargo. Because I had been sitting on the boards, between stacks of publications, nothing landed on me. I was only shaken. It was a deserted spot. The nearest village was miles away. I put the guard's leg in a splint. After that, the sub-lieutenant was kinder.

Minister's Office

At dawn, gangs of villagers, in rags, arrived with straw ropes and spades. The truck was put back on the road. The driver, working with a sledgehammer, and with a remarkable skill straightened one of the wheels, which had been buckled. We reached Pyongyang at 4 a.m. on Sunday, June 20, 1952. The truck drove up before the Ministry of the Interior. I was marched into a huge office with a conference table and an enormous desk, behind which sat a man in shirt-sleeves. Over him hung a poster with the photograph of the North Korean Government. His picture was on the right of Kim-Il-Sung's. This was Korea's Beria, Minister of the Interior.

He waved me to the chair. The interpreter beside him started translating the questions, which were spoken in a quiet, even voice, while the unblinking eyes never moved from my face.

**Spy Accusation**

"Would a spy get himself arrested on the front? Would he not, rather, come in as some kind of peace delegate?"

"Perhaps to allay our suspicions he might try to come in the way you came."

"And how could I, as a prisoner, communicate information to the outside?"

"On your way up from Seoul you spoke to someone in English. Perhaps he was your contact?"

"You are not to ask questions, you are to answer them. You had better prove you are not a spy."

The voice which was speaking these words in an unknown tongue was very quiet and even. I began to suspect that it was I who could not think logically, not my interlocutor.

"What is your name? What is your age? What is your nationality? What is your profession? What identification papers do you carry to prove your statements?"

"All my papers were taken from me at the front."

"What else was taken from you?" He took down a detailed list. "We are not savages," he said. "We are civilized people. All this will be returned to you in good time." (I am still waiting.)

Then, from a delicate Chinese jug, he poured out a cup of milk, and pushed it across the desk.

"Drink," he said. It was my first meal in a week. He produced a box of Havana. He waited till I smoked about an eighth.

"Who do you think started this war?" he asked.

"You attacked across the Parallel on June 25."

**THEATRE** **Yiddish Classic in Hebrew NOTES**

One presents: Mendel, The Lord of the Manor, by Isaac Leib Peretz. Adapted by Yitzhak Sebil. Directed by Zvi Friedman. Sets, costumes, music by Yosef Kaminski. Choreography by Gertrude Kraus.

It is fitting and proper that the Hebrew stage, which ranges the world over for its repertoire, should include some of the Yiddish classic writers in its repertoire. Among these writers, Isaac Leib Peretz, whom Maurice Samuel calls the Prince of the Ghetto, is one of the most important. Many of his stories and Hasidic tales have become folk legends. The stories of Buntche Schwieg or the Three Gifts, for example, are known by many people who do not know that they were written by Peretz and are part of a vast treasure of warm and sympathetic literature of the Ghetto Jew.

The story of Mendel, The Lord of the Manor, is one in which good and evil struggle for the soul of a man. In this particular interpretation the struggle is presented in the form of a dream, in which the complete conversion of the man takes place in order to bring about the happy ending which Peretz liked to achieve.

The play was adapted for the stage by Yitzhak Sebil. In the course of the adaptation it must have undergone many changes in order to make it acceptable for the modern theatre, but there were not quite enough changes. In an effort to create the proper background of wickedness for the man Mendel, there is a short introduction in which the reader is told that Mendel is a wicked man who does not educate his children, does not give charity, drives the beggar away from his door and is generally not a very good Jew.

Union of Academic Societies in Israel Thursday, May 7  
Lecture by ELIEZER LIVNEH M.Sc., Foreign and Economic Survey, of Maccab Co., 2nd Floor, Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv

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**PRESIDENT RECEIVES DUTCH MINISTER**



President Ben Gurion (right) and the Dutch Minister and Acting Foreign Minister Mr. Ben Gurion; with Mr. G. W. Boissevain as Netherlands Minister in Jerusalem yesterday.

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